Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Middletown

Middletown- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash that occurred earlier this morning.

The incident occurred on May 5, 2019 at approximately 2:06 a.m., when a 2006 Red Chevrolet Silverado was traveling northbound on DE RT 9 on the upward slope of the Reedy Point Bridge. A 1986 White Honda XL250R Motorbike, was traveling southbound on DE RT 9 on the downward slope of the Reedy Point Bridge. For unknown reasons the Honda crossed the double yellow lines and collided with the Chevrolet. The impact caused the operator of the Honda to be thrown from the vehicle and over the bridge.

The operator of the Honda, a 20-year-old male from Wilmington, DE was pronounced deceased at the scene. His name is being withheld pending the notification of next of kin.

The operator of the Chevrolet, an 18-year-old male from Bear, DE, was properly restrained and not injured. There were two passengers in the Chevrolet who were also uninjured.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit.

DE RT 9 was closed in both directions at the Reedy Point Bridge while the crash was investigated and cleared.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit

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